

REMARKS

Claims 1, 4-11, 14-17 and 19-27 are pending in the present application. Claims 28-49 are withdrawn.

The Examiner asserts that there were 5 species in the present application: Species 1: Figures 2-3; Species 2: Figure 4; Species 3: Figure 5; Species 4: Figure 6; Species 5: Figure 7.

Applicant elects Species 3, Figure 5 without traverse. Claims 1, 4-11, 14-17 and 19-27 are directed to Species 3 with claims 14-17 and 19-27 being generic to Species 1, 2 and 3. Claims 28-38, (directed to Species 4) and Claims 39-49, (directed to Species 5) have been withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

Applicant asserts that all of the objections have been obviated and, therefore now respectfully requests examination on the merits.

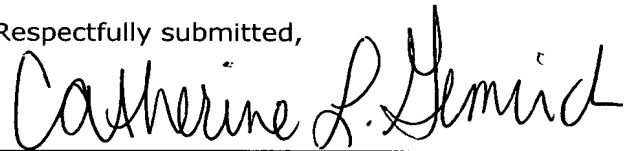
REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF THE TERM

Applicant respectfully requests an extension of the normal term which expired on April 23, 2005, for two months, to June 23, 2005.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$450.00 to cover the cost of the extension.

Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or 13600.

Respectfully submitted,



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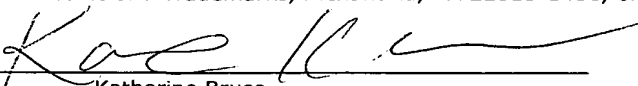
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